



*Renton
Municipal
Arts
Commission*

RENTON MUNICIPAL ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Renton City Hall
Conferencing Center (7th Floor)

October 1, 2013

Present: Michelle Bettinger, Jerri Everett, Peter Hartley, T.Y. Lau, Britt McKenzie, Marsha Rollinger, Mitch Shepard, Bill Huls, Paul Hebron

Absent: Natalie Gress, Evelyn Reingold, Ben Andrews, Jaris English

Guests: Chip Vincent, Economic Development/Planning Department

City Staff present: Jennifer Spencer, Park Department

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 4:35PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: COMMISSIONER BRITT MCKENZIE PRESENTED THE MINUTES FOR September 2013. Approved as corrected.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Britt McKenzie passed around the correspondence folder for individual review.

Additional announcements

Film Frenzy happens the week of October 22nd. A showing of all films will be at the Renton Civic Theater on Saturday October 19th 7^{PM} with the Curvee Gala and awards On October 22nd at IKEA Performing Arts Center at 7pm

Allied Arts Family Concert with the Seattle Philharmonic Symphony will be at IKEA On October 20, 2pm. Ticket prices are very reasonable so families may attend.

Renton Civic Theater second show of the season "Then There Were None" opens October 25th.

Chip Vincent gave us a short summary of the progress of the transition in staff for the Arts Commission following Jennifer Davis Hayes recent departure from the City staff.

He told us the Arts Commission will be moved from the Economic Development division to the Planning Division. The new liaison will be Elizabeth Higgins. She happened to be on vacation this week, but will meet with Britt next week for orientation to all our projects. She has a degree in art from the University of Washington and is very excited to being assigned to the Arts Commission.

Mr. Vincent explained that the Planning Department has much experience in Community Planning and he thinks they will be a big help to RMAC. He also stated that art is the quality and life of a city.

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee reports:

Communication Committee: Jaris English Lead
No report

GAP lighting project:

Since Jennifer left this committee has not been active. Mitch is lead and will be Trying to get it back on track.

Fall Equinox

We received a letter from Allied Arts saying they will no longer be participating as co sponsors of the Equinox project. They do not feel It is effective in getting information to the public We had a long discussion and Britt asked us to send her by email constructive criticism and your opinion of whether we should continue these events.

NEW BUSINESS

Retreat

November 9th has been decided to as the date for the retreat. The location is unknown at this time. Time will be 1pm. Guest will be Elizabeth Higgins. Please send Britt any ideas for discussion and goals for 2014. [Note: the Retreat was later rescheduled to November 16th]

ADJOURNMENT: October 1, 2013 meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm. The next meeting will be held November 5th 2013 in the Renton City Hall Conferencing Center (7th Floor) at 4:30 pm.



Britt McKenzie, Chair